

PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING

TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY:

I, or we, International Society for Krishna Consciousness, legal owner of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Hearing Under Section 500.7 of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner and/or Deputy Zoning Commissioner should approve, or determine if ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and associated uses permitted in a residential zone.

See attached description

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations.

I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Special Hearing advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and assent to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County and to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

Contract Purchaser _____
Secretary _____
Legal Owner _____
Address: 200 Bloombury Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21204
Petitioner's Attorney _____
Protestant's Attorney _____

ORDERED BY the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this 24th day of August, 1976, that the subject matter of this petition be advertised, as required by the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, in two newspapers of general circulation throughout Baltimore County, that property be posted, and that the public hearing be held before the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County in Room 106, County Office Building in Towson, Baltimore County, on the 24th day of September, 1976, at 10:00 o'clock, A.M.

Eric S. DiNenna
Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

(over)

BALTIMORE COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING & ZONING
County Office Building
111 M. Chasseville Avenue
Towson, Maryland 21204

Your Petition has been received and accepted for filing this 24th day of August, 1976.

Eric S. DiNenna
Zoning Commissioner

Petitioner: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
Petitioner's Attorney: Eric S. DiNenna
Reviewed by: Nicholas B. Comandari
Planning & Zoning Associate III

BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 6, 1976

International Society for Krishna Consciousness
200 Bloombury Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21204

RE: Petition for Special Hearing
International Society for Krishna Consciousness - Petitioner

The Zoning Planning Advisory Committee has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition and has made an on-site field inspection of the property. The following comments are a result of this review and inspection.

These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning petition requested, but to assure that all parties are made aware of plans or problems with respect to the development. Plans that may have a bearing on this case. The Director of Planning may file a written report with the Zoning Commissioner with recommendations as to the appropriateness of the proposed zoning.

The subject property, zoned R.W. 1.5, and improved with a 2-1/2 story build out and accessory structures to the rear, is located on the west side of Bloombury Avenue approximately 1600 feet south of Frederick Road, in the First Election District. Adjacent properties to the south and east are similarly zoned and are improved with a 2-1/2 story building and the facilities of the German Children's Home, respectively. To the north and west of this site is land improved with the Catonsville Junior High School and related athletic fields.

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Water and Sanitary Sewer.

Publ. water supply and sanitary sewerage are serving this property. The existing public sanitary sewer across the rear of this site is 15-inch diameter, not 8-inch as indicated on the submitted plan, see Drawings #25-0412 and 0264, File 1.

Baltimore County sanitary sewers and storm drain exist within these rights-of-way. There is a one story brick building over the existing 15-inch sanitary sewer, as indicated. The petitioner is cautioned that no encroachment by construction of any structure, including footings is permitted within County rights-of-way or utility easements. During the course of any construction on this site, protection must be afforded by the contractor to protect these public utilities. Any damage sustained would be the full responsibility of the petitioner.

Additional fire hydrant protection appears required in the vicinity.

Very truly yours,

Edward P. Dwyer
ELDMON P. DWYER, P.E.
Chief, Bureau of Engineering

END/EAH:PMH:ee

CC: M. Hunschel

J. Somers

N-SE Key Sheet
11 SW 22 Pos. Sheet
SW 3 P Type
101 Tax Map

Baltimore County
Department of Public Works
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

September 20, 1976

Mr. S. Eric DiNenna
Zoning Commissioner
County Office Building
Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Item #34 (1976-1977)
Property Owner: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
W/O Bloombury Ave., 1694' S. Frederick Rd.
Existing Zoning: SM 3.5
Proposed Zoning: Special Hearing to determine if ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and related uses permitted in a residential zone.
Address: 1.0681 District: 1st

Dear Mr. DiNenna:

The following comments are furnished in regard to the plat submitted to this office for review by the Zoning Advisory Committee in connection with the subject item.

Highways

Bloombury Avenue, an existing public street, is proposed to be improved in the future as a 50-foot closed section roadway on a 70-foot right-of-way. Highway improvements are not required at this time. Highway right-of-way widening, including any necessary reversible easements, will be required in connection with any grading or building permit application. Further information may be obtained from the Baltimore County Bureau of Engineering.

The indicated 32-foot and 20-foot roads are private. It is the responsibility of the petitioner to ascertain and clarify his rights therein.

The entrance locations are subject to approval by the Department of Traffic Engineering and shall be constructed in accordance with Baltimore County Standards.

Adjacent Control

Development of this property through striping, grading and stabilization could result in a sediment pollution problem, damaging private and public holdings downstream of the property. A grading permit is, therefore, necessary for all grading, including the striping of top soil.

Storm Drainage

The Petitioner must provide necessary drainage facilities (temporary or permanent) to prevent creating any nuisances or damages to adjacent properties, especially by the concentration of surface waters. Correction of any problem which may result, due to improper grading or improper installation of drainage facilities, would be the full responsibility of the petitioner.

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At the time of field inspection, the existing building was being removed, and a sign advertising the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) was existing on the front lawn. While this office is vaguely familiar with this organization, a Special Hearing is recommended in order to determine whether ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and associated uses permitted in a residential zone.

In light of the fact that the exact classification of this use is not certain, the submitted site plan was accepted for filing, even though some pertinent information (i.e. required parking, screening, etc.) is lacking. If this Special Hearing is granted, an overall site plan reflecting the comments of the Project & Development Planning and the Bureau of Engineering will be required.

This petition is accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate. Notice of the hearing date and time, which will be held not less than 30, nor more than 90 days after the date on the filing certificate, will be forwarded to you in the near future.

Very truly yours,

Nicholas B. Comandari
NICHOLAS B. COMANDARI,
Planning & Zoning
Associate III

NBC:JD

Enclosure

CC: E. William Moxter, Reg. Surveyor
Bravil Company
2305 North Charles Street
Baltimore, Md. 21218

Baltimore County
Department of Traffic Engineering
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204
1201-424 3000

STEPHENE COLLINS
DIRECTOR

September 9, 1976

Mr. Eric S. DiNenna
Zoning Commissioner
County Office Building
Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Item 34 - SAC - August 31, 1976
Property Owner: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
Location: W/O Bloombury Ave. 1694' S. Frederick Rd.
Existing Zoning: SM 3.5
Proposed Zoning: Special hearing to determine if ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and related uses permitted in a residential zone

Address: 1.0681
District: 1st

Dear Mr. DiNenna:

This department has no comment to make in regard to the special hearing to determine if ISKCON is a church.

Very truly yours,

Michael S. Planter
MICHAEL S. PLANTER
Traffic Engineer Associate

REF:DC

17-73-SPH **PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING**

TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY:

I, or we, International Society for Krishna Consciousness, legal owner of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Hearing Under Section 500.7 of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner and/or Deputy Zoning Commissioner should approve or determine if ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and related uses permitted in a residential zone.

see attached description

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Special Hearing advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

Contract Purchaser _____ Secretary ISKCON
 Address _____ Legal Owner
300 Bloomsbury Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21206
 Petitioner's Attorney _____ Protestant's Attorney _____
 Address _____

ORDERED By the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this 31st day of August, 1976, that the subject matter of this petition be advertised, as required by the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, in two newspapers of general circulation throughout Baltimore County, that property be posted, and that the public hearing be held before the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County in Room 106, County Office Building in Towson, Baltimore County, on the 31st day of October, 1976 at 10:00 o'clock P.M.

Eric S. DiNenna
 Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

(over)

17-73-SPH

BALTIMORE COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING & ZONING
 County Office Building
 111 S. Chesapeake Avenue
 Towson, Maryland 21204

Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this 31st day of August, 1976.

Eric S. DiNenna
 Zoning Commissioner

Positioner: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
 Petitioner's Attorney: Mr. William Mercer, Reg. Surveyor
2305 North Charles Street
Baltimore, Md. 21208

Reviewed by: Nicholas S. Connolly
Planning & Zoning
Associate III

BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

September 9, 1976

International Society for Krishna Consciousness
 300 Bloomsbury Avenue
 Baltimore, Maryland 21206

RE: Petition for Special Hearing
 File #
 Revised Special Hearing for
 Krishna Consciousness Petitioner

GENTLEMEN:

The Zoning Planning Advisory Committee has reviewed the plans submitted with the above petition and petition and has made an on-site field inspection of the property. The following is the report of the Committee and its recommendations.

These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning district requested, but to assure that all parties have adequate notice of plans and problems with regard to the development of the property. The following is the report of the Committee and its recommendations.

The subject property, zoned R-4, 1.5x and improved with a 2-1/2 story building and accessory structures to the rear, is located on the west side of Bloomsbury Avenue approximately 150 feet north of Frederick Road, in the First Election District. Adjacent properties to the east and south are similarly zoned and are improved with a 2-1/2 story building and the facilities of the Green Ridge Farm, respectively. To the north and west of this site is land improved with the Calverville Junior High School and related athletic facilities.

ORDER RECEIVED FOR FILING

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At the time of field inspection, the existing building was being renovated, and a sign advertising the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) was existing on the front lawn. While this office is vaguely familiar with this organization, a Special Hearing is recommended in order to determine whether ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and uses permitted in a residential zone.

In light of the fact that the exact classification of this use is not certain, the submitted site plan was accepted for filing, even though some pertinent information (i.e., required parking, recreation, etc.) is lacking. If the Special Hearing is granted, an overall site plan reflecting the comments of the Project & Development Planning and the Bureau of Engineering will be required.

This petition is accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate. Notice of the hearing date and time, which will be held not less than 30, nor more than 90 days after the date on the filing certificate, will be forwarded to you in the near future.

Very truly yours,
Nicholas S. Connolly
 NICHOLAS S. CONNOLLY,
 Planning & Zoning
 Associate III

ENCLOSURE
 cc: E. William Mercer, Reg. Surveyor
 Boivin Company
 2305 North Charles Street
 Baltimore, Md. 21208

Baltimore County
 Department of Public Works
 Towson, Maryland 21204

September 20, 1976

Mr. E. Eric DiNenna
 Zoning Commissioner
 County Office Building
 Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Item #34 (1976-1977)
 Property Owner: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
 Property Address: W/S Bloomsbury Ave., 1694' S. Frederick Rd.
 Existing Zoning: DR 3.5
 Proposed Zoning: Special Hearing to determine if ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and related uses permitted in a residential zone.
 Acres: 1.0681 District: 1st

Dear Mr. DiNenna:

The following comments are furnished in regard to the plat submitted to this office for review by the Zoning Advisory Committee in connection with the subject item.

Highways
 Bloomsbury Avenue, an existing public street, is proposed to be improved in the future as a 50-foot closed section roadway on a 70-foot right-of-way. Highway improvements are not required at this time. Highway right-of-way widening, including any necessary reversible easements for slopes, will be required in connection with any grading or building permit application. Further information may be obtained from the Baltimore County Bureau of Engineering.

The indicated 32-foot and 20-foot roads are private. It is the responsibility of the Petitioner to ascertain and clarify his rights therein.

The entrance locations are subject to approval by the Department of Traffic Engineering, and shall be constructed in accordance with Baltimore County Standards.

Sediment Control
 Development of this property through striping, grading and stabilization could result in a sediment pollution problem, damaging private and public holdings downstream of the property. A grading permit is, therefore, necessary for all grading, including the striping of top soil.

Storm Drains
 The Petitioner must provide necessary drainage facilities (temporary or permanent) to prevent creating any nuisances or damages to adjacent properties, especially by the concentration of surface waters. Correction of any problem which may result, due to improper grading or improper installation of drainage facilities, would be the full responsibility of the Petitioner.

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Water and Sanitary Sewer
 Public water supply and sanitary sewerage are serving this property. The existing public sanitary sewer across the east of this site is 15-inch diameter, not 8-inch as indicated on the submitted plan, see Drawings #25-0412 and 0264, File 1.

Baltimore County sanitary sewer and storm drains exist within these rights-of-way. There is a one story block building over the existing 15-inch sanitary sewer, as indicated. The Petitioner is cautioned that no encroachment by construction of any structure, including footings is permitted within County rights-of-way or utility easements. During the course of any construction on this site, protection must be afforded by the contractor to protect these public utilities. Any damage sustained would be the full responsibility of the Petitioner.

Additional fire hydrant protection appears required in the vicinity.

Very truly yours,
William M. Mercer
 WILLIAM M. MERCER, P.E.
 Chief, Bureau of Engineering

ENCLOSURE
 cc: W. Munchall
 J. Somers

H-SE Key Sheet
 11 SW 22 Pcs. Sheet
 SW 3 & Topo
 101 Top Map

Baltimore County
 Department of Public Engineering
 Towson, Maryland 21204

SEPTEMBER 9, 1976

Mr. Eric S. DiNenna
 Zoning Commissioner
 County Office Building
 Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Item 34 - ZAC - August 31, 1976
 Property Owner: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
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Dear Mr. DiNenna:

This department has no comment to make in regard to the special hearing to determine if ISKCON is a church.

Very truly yours,
Nicholas S. Connolly
 NICHOLAS S. CONNOLLY,
 Traffic Engineer Associate

PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING

177-73-SPH

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Robert M. Kaufman
Secretary
Contract Purchaser
Address 200 Newmarket Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21206
Petitioner's Attorney
Protector's Attorney

ORDERED By the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this 21st day of September, 1976, that the subject matter of this petition be advertised, as required by the Zoning Law of Baltimore County, in two newspapers of general circulation throughout Baltimore County, that property be posted, and that the public hearing be held before the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County in Room 106, County Office Building in Towson, Baltimore County, on the 24th day of October, 1976, at 10:00 o'clock, A.M.



Robert M. Kaufman
Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

(over)

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PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT
COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
200 BLOOMSBURY AVENUE
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21206

Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this 21st day of September, 1976.

H. A. J.
Zoning Commissioner

Position: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
Petitioner's Attorney: Robert M. Kaufman
Reviewed by: Nicholas B. Connors, Planning & Zoning Associate III

BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 6, 1976

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS
200 BLOOMSBURY AVENUE
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21206

MEMBER
BOARD OF ENGINEERING
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & ZONING
COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
200 BLOOMSBURY AVENUE
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21206

International Society for Krishna Consciousness
200 Bloombsury Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21226

BEI Petition for Special Hearing
Item 34
International Society for Krishna Consciousness - Petitioner

Gentlemen:

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition and has made on site field inspection of the property. The following comments are a result of this review and inspection.

These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the development of the property. The following comments are a result of this review and inspection.

The subject property, zoned R.H. 3.5, and improved with a 2-1/2 story building and accessory structures to the rear, is located on the west side of Bloombsury Avenue approximately 1694 feet south of Frederick Road, in the First Election District. Adjacent properties to the south and east are similarly zoned and are improved with a 2-1/2 story dwelling and the facilities of the Green Childers' Home, respectively. To the north and west of this site is land improved with the Catonsville Junior High School and related athletic fields.

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Very truly yours,

Nicholas B. Connors
NICHOLAS B. CONNORS,
Planning & Zoning
Associate III

ENCLOSURE

cc: E. William Morcor Reg. Surveyor
Boivin Company
2305 North Charles Street
Baltimore, Md. 21218

BALTIMORE COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21206

September 20, 1976

Mr. E. Eric DiMenna
Zoning Commissioner
County Office Building
Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Item #34 (1976-1977)
Property Owner: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
W/S Bloombsury Ave., 1694' S. Frederick Rd.
Existing Zoning: DR 3.5
Proposed Zoning: Special Hearing to determine if ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and related uses permitted in a residential zone.
Acres: 1.0681 District: 1st

Dear Mr. DiMenna:

The following comments are furnished in regard to the plan submitted to this office for review by the Zoning Advisory Committee in connection with the subject item.

Highways:

Bloombsury Avenue, an existing public street, is proposed to be improved in the future as a 50-foot closed section roadway on a 70-foot right-of-way. Highway improvements are not required at this time. Highway right-of-way widening, including any necessary reversible easements for slopes, will be required in connection with any grading or building permit application. Further information may be obtained from the Baltimore County Bureau of Engineering.

The indicated 32-foot and 20-foot roads are private. It is the responsibility of the Petitioner to ascertain and clarify his rights therein.

The entrance locations are subject to approval by the Department of Traffic Engineering, and shall be constructed in accordance with Baltimore County Standards.

Sediment Control:

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Additional fire hydrant protection appears required in the vicinity.

Very truly yours,

William M. Davis
WILLIAM M. DAVIS, P.E.
Chief, Bureau of Engineering

ENCLOSURE

cc: W. Munchall
J. Kowars

11 SW 22 Pcs. Sheet
SW 3 P Type
101 Yrs Reg

BALTIMORE COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21206

STEFEN F. COLLINS
DIRECTOR

September 9, 1976

Mr. Eric S. DiMenna
Zoning Commissioner
County Office Building
Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Item #34 - ZAC - August 31, 1976
Property Owner: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
Location: W/S Bloombsury Ave. 1694' S. Frederick Rd.
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Proposed Zoning: Special hearing to determine if ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and related uses permitted in a residential zone
Acres: 1.0681
District: 1st

Dear Mr. DiMenna:

This department has no comment to make in regard to the special hearing to determine if ISKCON is a church.

Very truly yours,

Nicholas B. Connors
NICHOLAS B. CONNORS,
Traffic Engineer Associate

ENCLOSURE

MAR 29 1977

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of property, and public hearing on the above petition and it appearing that by reason of the following finding of facts:

the above Special Hearing for _____
by reason of _____

_____ should be granted.

IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County this _____ day of _____, 19____, that the herein Petition for Special Hearing should be and the same is granted, from and after the date of this order.

Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of property and public hearing on the above petition and it appearing that by reason of _____

the above Special Hearing should NOT BE GRANTED.

IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this _____ day of _____, 19____, that the above Special Hearing be and the same is hereby DENIED.

Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

Baltimore County
Department of Permits and Licenses
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204
0301-48-200

JOHN D. SEVERTY
DIRECTOR

August 25, 1976

Mr. S. Eric DiNenna, Zoning Commissioner
Office of Planning and Zoning
County Office Building
Towson, Maryland 21204

Dear Mr. DiNenna:

Comments on Item #34, Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting, August 11, 1976, are as follows:

Property Owner: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
Location: W/S Bloomsbury Avenue, 1694' S. Frederick Rd.
Existing Zoning: R.3.5
Proposed Zoning: Special hearing to determine if ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and related uses permitted in a residential zone.

Acres: 1.0681

District: 1st

If it is determined the applicant falls within the scope of a church and is permitted to function as such, the building shall be made to conform to the requirements of the Building Code of Baltimore County for assembly uses. Construction drawings by a Professional Registered Architect or Engineer may be required as a condition in applying for the necessary building permit to make any alterations.

Very truly yours,

Charles E. Burham
Charles E. Burham
Chief of Plans Review

Baltimore County
Office of Planning and Zoning
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204
0301-48-2011

NORMAN E. GERBER
Assistant
Norman E. Gerber
Acting Director

September 24, 1976

Mr. S. Eric DiNenna, Zoning Commissioner
Zoning Advisory Committee
Office of Planning and Zoning
Baltimore County Office Building
Towson, Maryland 21204

Dear Mr. DiNenna:

Comments on Item #34, Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting, August 31, 1976, are as follows:

Property Owner: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
Location: W/S Bloomsbury Ave. 1694' S. Frederick Road
Existing Zoning: D.R.3.5
Proposed Zoning: Special hearing to determine if ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and related uses permitted in a residential zone

Acres: 1.0681

District: 1st

This office has reviewed the subject petition and offers the following comments. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning in question, but are to assure that all parties are made aware of plans or problems with regard to development plans that may have a bearing on this petition.

If the use is permitted, parking should be provided in accordance with Section 409 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations.

Very truly yours,

John L. Wimbley
John L. Wimbley
Planner III
Project and Development Planning

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

TOWSON, MARYLAND - 21204

Date: August 31, 1976

Mr. S. Eric DiNenna
Zoning Commissioner
Baltimore County Office Building
Towson, Maryland 21204

Z.A.C. Meeting of: August 31, 1976

Re: Item #34
Property Owner: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
Location: W/S Bloomsbury Ave. 1694' S. Frederick Rd.
Present Zoning: D.R. 3.5
Proposed Zoning: Special hearing to determine if ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and related uses permitted in a residential zone.

District: 1st
No. Acres: 1.0681

Dear Mr. DiNenna:

No hearing on student population.

Very truly yours,

W. Nick Petrovich
W. Nick Petrovich
Field Representative.

JOHN W. HESSON, III
DEPUTY STATE AND COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

BARBARA M. ROBINSON
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204
WIFE OF CHARLES E. ROBINSON

ROBERT A. KAUFMAN
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204
SECRETARY OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Baltimore County
Department of Health
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

DONALD J. ADOP, M.D., M.P.H.
DEPUTY STATE AND COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER

October 5, 1976

Mr. S. Eric DiNenna, Zoning Commissioner
Office of Planning and Zoning
County Office Building
Towson, Maryland 21204

F. E. DiNenna:

Comments on Item #34, Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting, August 31, 1976, are as follows:

Property Owner: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
Location: W/S Bloomsbury Ave. 1694' S. Frederick Road
Existing Zoning: R.3.5
Proposed Zoning: Special hearing to determine if ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and related uses permitted in a residential zone.

Acres: 1.0681

District: 1st

Metropolitan water and sewer are available, therefore, no health problems are anticipated.

Very truly yours,

John W. Hesson, III
John W. Hesson, III
DEPUTY STATE AND COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER

TOWSON, MARYLAND

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: S. Eric DiNenna, Zoning Commissioner Date: September 28, 1976

FROM: Norman E. Gerber, Acting Director of Planning

SUBJECT: Petition #77-73-SPH. Petition for Special Hearing to determine if ISKCON falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and related uses permitted in a residential zone.
West side of Bloomsbury Avenue 1694 feet South of Frederick Road.
Petitioner - International Society for Krishna Consciousness

1st District

HEARING: Wednesday, October 13, 1976 (1:00 P.M.)

There are no comprehensive planning factors requiring comment on this petition.

Norman E. Gerber
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Acting Director of Planning

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December 5, 1976

Barry Robinson, Esquire
200 Hilton Place
Baltimore, Maryland 21206

RE: Petition for Special Hearing
W/S Bloomsbury Avenue, 1694' S of
Frederick Road - 1st District
ISKCON - Petitioner
NO. 77-73-SPH (Item No. 34)

Dear Mr. Robinson:

I have this date passed my Order in the above captioned matter in accordance with the attached.

Very truly yours,
George J. Madelak
GEORGE J. MADELAK
Deputy Zoning Commissioner

GJM/me

Attachments

cc: John W. Hesson, III, Esquire
People's Counsel

RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING : BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSIONER
W/S of Bloomsbury Ave. 1694 feet S of : OF BALTIMORE COUNTY
Frederick Rd., 1st District
INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA : Case No. 77-73-SPH
CONSCIOUSNESS, Petitioner

ORDER TO ENTER APPEARANCE

Mr. Commissioner:

Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 524.1 of the Baltimore County Charter, I hereby enter my appearance in this proceeding. You are requested to notify me of any hearing date or dates which may be now or hereafter designated therefore, and of the passage of any preliminary or final Order in connection therewith.

Charles E. Kowar, Jr.
Charles E. Kowar, Jr.
Deputy People's Counsel

John W. Hesson, III
John W. Hesson, III
People's Counsel
County Office Building
Towson, Maryland 21204
494-2188

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 4th day of October, 1976, a copy of the foregoing Order was mailed to Mr. Robert A. Kaufman, Secretary, International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Petitioner, 200 Bloomsbury Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21206.



John W. Hesson, III
John W. Hesson, III

RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING
W/S Bloomsbury Avenue, 1694 S of
Frederick Road - 1st Election District
ISKCON - Petitioner
NO. 77-73-SPH (Item No. 34)

BEFORE THE
DEPUTY ZONING
COMMISSIONER
OF
BALTIMORE COUNTY

This matter comes before the Deputy Zoning Commissioner as a result of a Petition for a Special Hearing to determine if "ISKCON," an acronym for "International Society for Krishna Consciousness," falls within or exceeds the scope of a church and related uses permitted in a residential zone.

The subject property is located at 200 Bloomsbury Avenue, on 1.068 acre of land, more or less. Improvements include a two and one-half story frame and masonry building, described as containing ten rooms, a kitchen, two bathrooms, a room described as a "temple room," and three accessory buildings at the rear of the lot, used for storage.

Counsel for the Petitioner testified that five to eight members of ISKCON reside in the building as a family, no rent is collected, the "temple room" is utilized for daily prayer services, and no commercial activity is conducted on the premises. Further testimony indicated that the sect has other members, not living at the subject location, who visit periodically for meetings and/or services of worship. The house is not open to the general public. No participants appeared at the hearing.

In the judgement of the Deputy Zoning Commissioner, the building, as herein described, falls within Section 1B01.1A.3, of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, is permitted as of right in a D.R. Zone, and is subject to all restrictions included in that Section, as well as to the Baltimore County Building Code and Fire Department Regulations.

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this 6TH day of December, 1976, that ISKCON falls within the scope of a church or "other building for religious worship," subject to the following:

1. Off-street parking must be provided, as required by Section 409.2b(1) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations.
2. Screening must be installed, in accordance with Section 409.2c(1) of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations.
3. No more than ten people may reside in the building at anyone time.
4. The number of persons congregating in the first floor meeting room must not exceed a ratio of one person for each seven square feet of floor space in such room.
5. A site plan, approved by the Department of Public Works, Department of Permits and Licenses, Fire Department, Health Department, and the Office of Planning and Zoning must be submitted and full compliance must be obtained.

[Signature]
Deputy Zoning Commissioner of
Baltimore County

ORDER RECEIVED FOR FILING
DATE *Dec 6, 1976*
BY *John P. [illegible]*

PETITIONER'S
EXHIBIT 1

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
OF
INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS
BALTIMORE CHAPTER

FIRST : We, JAMES P. CONNAMY and TIMOTHY D. PROCK, 200 Bloomsbury Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21208, being at least eighteen (18) years of age, are hereby forming an association.

SECOND : The name of the Association (which is hereinafter referred to as the Association) is:

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS
BALTIMORE CHAPTER

THIRD : The purposes for which the Association is formed are:

- (a) To systematically propagate spiritual knowledge to society at large and to educate all peoples in the techniques of spiritual life in order to check the imbalance of values in life and to achieve real unity and peace in the world.
- (b) To propagate a consciousness of Krishna as it is revealed in the Bhagavad-Gita and Srimad-Bhagavatam.
- (c) To bring the members of the Society together with each other and nearer to Krishna, the prime entity, and thus to develop the idea, within the members, and humanity at large, that each soul is part and parcel of the quality of Godhead (Krishna).
- (d) To teach and encourage the Sankhita movement, congregational chanting of the holy name of God as revealed in the teachings of Lord Sri Chaitanya Mahabhabhu.
- (e) To erect for the members, and for society at large, a holy place of transcendental pastime, dedicated to the personality of Krishna.
- (f) To bring the members closer together for the purpose of teaching a simpler and more natural way of life.
- (g) With a view towards achieving the aforementioned purposes, to publish and distribute periodicals, magazines, books and other writings.

For the general purposes aforesaid, and limited to those purposes, the association shall have the general powers and purposes:

- (a) To publish, print, reproduce and distribute newspapers, magazines, periodicals, books and other publications for the benefit of its members in the areas in which the Association operates.
- (b) To conduct conventions, seminars and meetings of its members for the purpose of the presentation and dissemination of information and ideas pertaining to the purposes of the Association.
- (c) To obtain, for advisory purposes, persons of high repute and esteem in various professional fields to lend their individual expertise to the officers of the Association in administering and carrying on the operation of the Association.
- (d) To manufacture, purchase or otherwise acquire, hold, mortgage, pledge, sell, transfer or in any manner encumber or dispose of goods, wares, merchandise, implements, and other personal property or equipment of every kind.
- (e) To purchase, lease or otherwise acquire, hold, develop, improve, mortgage, sell, exchange, let, or in any manner encumber or dispose of real property wherever situated.
- (f) To apply for, obtain, purchase, or otherwise acquire, any patents, copyrights, trademarks, licenses, trademarks, rights, processes, formulas, and the like, which might be used for any of the purposes of the Association; and to use, develop, exercise, grant licenses in respect of, sell and otherwise give turn to account, the same.
- (g) To loan or advance money, with or without security, without limit as to amount; and to borrow or raise money for any of the purposes of the Association and to issue bonds, debentures, notes or other obligations of any nature, and in any manner permitted by law, for money so borrowed or in payment for property purchased, or for any other lawful consideration, to secure the payment thereof and of the interest thereon, by mortgage upon, or pledge or conveyance or assignment in trust of, the whole or any part of the property of the Association, real or personal, including contract rights, whether at the time used or thereafter acquired; and to sell, pledge, discount or otherwise dispose of such bonds, notes, or other obligations of the Association for its corporate purposes.
- (h) To carry on any of the activities heretofore enumerated for itself, or for account of others, or through others for its own account, and to carry on other activities which may be deemed by it to be calculated, directly or indirectly, to effectuate or facilitate the transaction of the aforesaid objects, or any of them, or any part thereof.
- (i) To carry out all or any part of the aforesaid purposes, and to conduct its activities in all or any of its branches in any or all of the states, territories, districts, and dependencies of the United States of America and in foreign countries; and to maintain offices and agencies in any or all states, territories, districts and dependencies of the United States of America or any foreign country or countries.

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Survey of Property located on
Bloomsbury Avenue owned
by the International Society for
Krishna Consciousness, Baltimore Chapter

Beginning for the same at a point on the west side of Bloomsbury Avenue (30' wide) and the north side of a road 32 feet wide as laid out on a plat filed in a case in the Circuit Court of Baltimore County in which Lucy G. Hanson, et al, were complainants and James G. Harwood, et al, were respondents, Docket 14 folio 177 etc. as Exhibit No. 14, said road to be open for the use in common of the lots binding thereon, thence running and binding, as now surveyed, South 13° 28' 30" East 32.04 feet to the south side of said 32' road, thence running and binding on said west side of Bloomsbury Road South 13° 28' 30" East 155.00 feet; thence South 77° 02' 30" West 233.54 feet to the east side of a 20-foot road as laid out on the aforesaid plat, thence running and binding on said east side of said road South 13° 28' 30" East 75.00 feet, thence running across said road South 77° 02' 30" West 20.00 feet to the west side thereof, thence running and binding on said south side of said road North 13° 28' 30" West 211.54 feet to intersect the south side of the aforesaid 32' road, thence continuing across said road North 13° 28' 30" East 32.04 feet to intersect the third line of the land conveyed by John Glenn and James H. Harwood, Trustees, to the Catonsville Casino Company of Baltimore County by deed dated June 26, 1983 and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber 198 folio 594, thence binding on said third line, reversely, and along the north side of said road North 72° 52' 30" East 254.02 feet to the place of beginning. The improvements thereon being known as 200 Bloomsbury Avenue.

FOURTH : Persons are to be admitted as members of the Association on the recommendation of a present member, director or officer, and the approval of the president.

FIFTH : The corporation is to be divided into three classes of members: (1) candidate; (2) initiate, and (3) brahmin. Their specific qualifications, rights and duties are described in the By-Laws of the Association. All classes of members have full voting privileges at any Association members' meeting.

SIXTH : The following provisions are hereby adopted for the purpose of defining, listing and regulating the powers of the Association, its directors, officers and members:

- (a) The directors of the Association shall be elected to a one year term by a vote of the members at a general meeting held annually every March 1st.
- (b) By-Laws shall be approved by a 2/3 vote of the members.
- (c) The officers of the Association shall be the president, the secretary, and the treasurer. Their duties, powers, terms and rights shall be described in the By-Laws.
- (d) The president of the Association shall be appointed by the Governing Body Commission Zonal Secretary.
- (e) The secretary or treasurer shall be appointed by the president.
- (f) Any decision of the Board of Directors shall be executed only after such decision is approved by the president.
- (g) The directors of the Association shall have the power, either directly or indirectly, either alone or in conjunction with others, to do any and all lawful acts and things and to engage in any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful, suitable, desirable, or proper for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering, or attainment of any or all of the purposes for which the Association is organized, and to aid and assist other organizations whose activities are such as to further, accomplish, foster or attain any such activities.

SEVENTH : The Association is not organized for profit and no part of the net earnings thereof shall inure to the benefit of any member, private individual or person. In the event of the dissolution or liquidation of the Association, whether voluntary or involuntary, distribution of all assets shall

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Survey of Property located on
Bloomsbury Avenue, etc. (cont'd.)

Bearings are referred to the Baltimore County Grid System.

Being all those lands described in Parcel 1 and part of the lands described in Parcel 2 conveyed by Charles A. Skirven and Louise Skirven to International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Baltimore Chapter, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber 5513 folio 206.

William H. [illegible]
F. William H. [illegible]
Registered Land Surveyor #597



be made in accordance with the requirements imposed on non-stock, non-profit corporations by Article 23, Sections 136A and 136B of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as from time to time amended. Upon such liquidation or dissolution of the Association the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities and obligations of the Association, dispose of, transfer and convey all of the assets of the Association exclusively for the purposes of the Association in such manner, or to such non-profit organization or non-profit organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes. Any of such assets not so disposed of, transferred or conveyed shall be disposed of, transferred or conveyed by decree of a competent Court, exclusively for such purposes or to such non-profit organization or organizations as said Court shall conclusively determine, which are organized and operated for such purposes.

EIGHTH : The Association shall have not less than two (2) members of the Board of Directors, and James F. Connamy and Timothy D. Prock shall act as such until the first annual meeting, or until their successors have been duly chosen or qualified.

NINTH : The principal address of the Association shall be 200 Bloomsbury Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21208.

TENTH : These Articles shall be effective as at the 2nd day of March, 1975.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have signed these Articles of Association this 6TH day of March, 1975, and acknowledge same to be our act.

WITNESS:

James P. Connamy (SEAL)
JAMES P. CONNAMY
Timothy D. Prock (SEAL)
TIMOTHY D. PROCK

We, the members of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Baltimore Chapter, a Baltimore non-profit religious organization, adopt the following By-Laws in order to carry out the purposes of the organization as set forth in the Articles of Association:

1. KRISHNA, THE SUPREME PERSONALITY OF GODHEAD

A. The International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Baltimore Chapter, and the members thereof surrender themselves at the lotus feet of Lord Krishna, the Supreme Personality of Godhead, and accept to follow His teachings as they are recorded in the Bhagavad-gita and Srimad-Bhagavatam.

B. All assets of this organization belong, in fact, to Krishna, specifically in His form as the properly installed Deity in the Temple.

C. The Society has been organized for the pleasure of Krishna.

2. HIS DIVINE GRACE A.C. BHAKTIVEDANTA SWAMI PRABHUPADA

A. The International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Baltimore Chapter, and the members thereof: surrender themselves at the lotus feet of His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada; accept Him as the representative of Lord Krishna in the line of disciplic succession coming from Brahma, Narada, Vyasa-deva, Madhusacharya, Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, and Sri Bhakti Siddhanta Saraswati; agree to carry on the affairs of the organization strictly according to His directions in His books; accept Him as the Acharya, or Spiritual Master, of the Society.

B. The members of the organization shall present the teachings of Sri Prabhupada by simply repeating them without any addition, subtraction or concoction.

(3) To establish credit courses in Krishna consciousness at schools and colleges in the area.

(4) In cooperation with the Governing Body Commission, to send out members to open new temples.

(5) To manage festivals, lectures, demonstrations, publicity, advertising, and mass media information services.

(6) To establish a stable business base to provide funds to further the purposes of the organization, to launch fund-raising drives, and to do similar things.

(7) To make contributions to Krishna consciousness service organizations around the world.

(8) In general, to carry out the intent of Article THIRD of the Articles of Association regarding the purposes for which the Society is organized.

H. If any director shall resign from the board of directors before the director's term of service has been completed, an election to fill the vacancy shall be held at an organizational members' meeting not later than one month after such resignation.

(1) A simple majority vote carries.

(2) In case of a tie vote, the president casts the deciding vote.

6. THE MEMBERS

A. Persons are to be admitted as members of the organization on the recommendation of a present member, director, or officer, and the approval of the president.

C. The Society has been organized for the pleasure of Sri Prabhupada.

3. THE GOVERNING BODY COMMISSION

A. The International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Baltimore Chapter, and the members thereof surrender themselves at the lotus feet of the disciples of Sri Prabhupada duly appointed by Him as His representatives on the Governing Body Commission, and their duly elected successors, as described in the document entitled Direction of Management, signed by Sri Prabhupada on July 28, 1970.

B. The Society and its members accept the authority of the Zonal Secretary or Executive who is specifically in charge of the zone in which the organization resides.

4. THE OFFICERS

A. The President

(1) The president of the organization is to be appointed by the Governing Body Commission Zonal Secretary or Executive.

(2) The duty of the president is to help the members perform devotional service of the Lord; to teach, counsel, and encourage them; to keep them busily engaged in spiritual life, particularly chanting Hare Krishna, Hare Krishna, Krishna, Krishna, Hare Hare, Hare Rama, Hare Rama, Rama Rama, Hare Hare; to always act in Krishna consciousness as a representative of His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada.

(3) Any decision of the board of directors shall be executed only after such decision is approved by the president.

(4) Only the president is authorized to sign contracts, bills of sale, leases, deeds, and other similar agreements, in the name of the organization.

B. Members are persons engaged in devotional service of the Lord according to the teachings of His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada.

C. The term "member" is understood to mean "active member" as opposed to a person who is no longer connected with the Baltimore association or who is no longer following the teachings of Krishna consciousness. Such status is subject to the determination of the organization president.

D. There are no membership dues.

E. There are three classes of members:

(1) Candidate - A candidate is a person seriously considering becoming an initiated disciple of His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada.

(2) Initiate - An initiate is a person who has been accepted by His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada as an initiated disciple.

(3) Brahmin - A Brahmin is a person who has received Gayatri Mantra initiation from His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada.

F. The rights and duties of the three classes of members are as follows:

(1) Candidate - A candidate is expected to participate in all devotional and missionary activities of the organization, and is entitled to be respected as a devotee of the Lord.

(2) Initiate - An initiate must follow the four rules of sense control, namely, eating only food offered to the Lord (vegetarian), no illicit sex, no intoxicants, and no gambling. An initiate must chant at least sixteen rounds daily on his Japa beads.

5. The Secretary

(1) The secretary of the organization shall be appointed by the president, from the ranks of the active members.

(2) The secretary shall be responsible for general correspondence, files, records, the library, etc.

C. The Treasurer

(1) The treasurer of the organization shall be appointed by the president, from the ranks of the active members.

(2) The treasurer shall be responsible for administering the financial affairs of the organization.

(3) Checks drawn on organizational accounts shall be signed by both the president and the treasurer.

D. Other Officers

(1) The president shall appoint, from the ranks of the active members, other officers for assistance in the management of the devotional and missionary work of the organization such as Saniketan Leader, Pujari, Cook, Temple Commander, etc.

5. THE DIRECTORS

A. The number of directors of the organization is to be not less than two nor more than five.

B. The directors are to be elected to a one-year term by a vote of the members at a members' meeting held annually on the first Monday in March in each and every year.

C. At any members' meeting held for the purpose of electing one or more directors of the organization, a quorum of the active members must be present. Two-thirds of the active membership shall constitute a quorum.

and attend all morning and evening classes in the temple. An initiate accepts that his Spiritual Master is to be worshipped on an equal level with God, that his service of the Spiritual Master is eternal, and that he accepts the order of his Spiritual Master as his very life.

(3) Brahmin - A Brahmin, in addition to the above, is responsible for teaching Krishna consciousness to others. A Brahmin may serve the Deity of the Lord as Pujari or Cook. A Brahmin must chant Gayatri Mantra three times daily: morning, noon and evening.

(4) All the above three classes of members have full voting privileges at any organization meeting.

7. ADOPTION AND AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

A. At any members' meeting held for the purpose of adopting or amending the By-Laws of the organization, a quorum of active members must be present. Two-thirds of the active membership shall constitute a quorum.

B. Voting by proxy shall be allowed, if such proxy vote is in writing, and accompanied by the signature of the member so voting.

C. Adoption or amendment of the By-Laws requires a two-thirds majority vote of members present or voting by proxy.

D. The directors and officers of the organization, being members, have one vote each.

E. In case of a tie vote, the president of the organization shall cast the deciding vote.

F. Votes shall be counted by the secretary under the supervision of the president and the directors.

G. Any decision of the membership shall be executed only after such decision is approved by the president.

D. Voting by proxy shall be allowed, if such proxy vote is in writing and accompanied by the signature of the member so voting.

E. The directors and officers of the organization, being members, have one vote each.

F. Votes shall be counted by the secretary under the supervision of the president and the directors.

G. The directors shall be elected from the ranks of active members of the organization.

H. The process of voting at the annual election shall be as follows: A list of the active members of the organization shall be distributed to all active members, and each such member shall vote for two persons to serve as directors. The two persons with the most votes shall constitute the board of directors for the next year. In the event there shall be more than two directors, same shall be prescribed by the President.

I. In case of a tie vote, a runoff election shall be held, in which case a simple majority carries.

J. The directors shall meet no longer than one week after the election and between themselves elect, by simple majority vote, a director to serve as chairman of the board of directors for the year.

K. The directors may appeal any presidential veto of their decisions before the Governing Body Commission Zonal Secretary or Executive, whose decision shall be final.

L. The duties of the directors are as follows:

(1) To insure a steady expansion of the organization's devotional and missionary activities.

(2) To formulate policies for devotional and missionary activities, and for the recruiting of new members, according to the desires of His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada.

ADOPTED THIS 1st DAY OF MARCH, 1975, AT A MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS, BALTIMORE CHAPTER.

James P. Lawrence

**INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY
FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS**
4041 St. Louis, Mo. 63106 314-361-1224

**PETITIONER'S
EXHIBIT 3**

**ISKCON
LEGAL PROSPECTUS**

If you are not familiar with our Society, please review the enclosed pamphlet which presents the essential objectives of our religious practice and the legitimacy and authenticity of ISKCON. Also please examine the Internal Revenue Service letters declaring our non-profit tax-exempt status.

Civil proceedings have clearly defined what our official religious activities are in connection with the public as they are set down in our revealed scriptures. In ISKCON VS. O'Neill, Civil Action No. 75-242, "Sankirtan (meaning to publically glorify God) involves various religious rituals, including inter alia (a) dancing, chanting beating cymbals and drums in public places (b) the disseminating of the Word of God through preaching and reading aloud on public ways from religious literature. (c) the distribution of religious literature, sanctified foodstuffs and flowers to the public, and (d) the solicitation and acceptance of contributions."

For the public places in your town almost without exception, our exercise would be of items (c) and (d).

1. The first point that our Society would like to establish is that the rules and regulations which apply to charitable and philanthropic organizations do not apply to us, as a bonafide, recognized and registered religious organization. In exercising our freedom of religion, which by definition includes the acceptance of donations for our books to defer the printing cost and to support our religion is

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neither commercial activity E. Murdock VS. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 319 U.S. 105 (1943), Keynote 53 nor can the activity be regulated by previous restraint fi Cantwell et. al. VS. State of Connecticut 310 U.S. 296 (1940), Keynote 9 and 10.

Please refer to the enclosed letters from the city attorneys and various other city officials of major cities across the country, clearly declaring that we are not required to secure a solicitation permit in the same way that a charitable or philanthropic organization would be required. Such declaration by numerous city attorneys and officials is based on a number of court rulings eg. Shuttlesworth VS. Birmingham 394 U.S. 147, 151, 89 S. Ct. 935 (1969), Kunz VS. New York 340 U.S. 147 89, S. C. 935 (1969), and others. How these cases apply to our Society's Sankirtan activities can be understood by the following excerpts from a Memorandum supporting a temporary injunction from ISKCON VS. Davis, in which this very issue of prior restraint is addressed. In addition to the determination that Sankirtan activities are protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, the Court also declared that the licensing law as applied to Sankirtan activities is unconstitutional because it vests unbridled discretion in a public official to grant or deny permission without narrow and precise guide lines to limit that discretion. The decision of the court was unanimous in favor of ISKCON.

"The two laws at issue herein are Los Angeles Municipal Ordinances no. 95789(2) (h) and Section 42.14.1.

Section 42.14.1 states in pertinent part:

"No person shall seek, beg, or solicit custom, patronage, sales, alms or donations for himself or on behalf of any person in any manner or for any purpose in any building, or in or on any property or premises under the control of this City without written permission of the head of the department having jurisdiction over the

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building or grounds where such solicitation is to be made." (Emphasis Added.)

Los Angeles Ordinance No. 95789 (2) (h) provides that:

"No person shall engage in any business or commercial activity on the airport without first having obtained the proper release or permit therefrom from the board." (Emphasis Added)

Los Angeles Municipal Ordinances No. 95789 (2) (h) and Section 42.14.1 on their face and as construed and applied to prohibit the distribution and sale of religious literature by members of a religious organization, without a permit for which no narrow or definite standards are specified, substantively and procedurally abridges the exercise of freedoms of speech and press, arbitrarily deprives persons of their liberty and property without due process of law, capriciously denies the equal protection of the laws, and is vague, ambiguous and overbroad, all in violation of the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution.

PLAINTIFFS' CONDUCT IS WITHIN THE FIRST AMENDMENT REGARDLESS OF WHETHER DONATIONS ARE SOLICITED AND RELIGIOUS LITERATURE IS SOLD.

Clearly, literature distribution may not be totally prohibited at the Los Angeles International Airport, moreover, Plaintiffs' conduct is within the First Amendment regardless of whether donations are solicited and religious literature is sold.

The principle underlining the proposition that Plaintiffs' conduct is protected even if donations are solicited and religious literature is sold was established thirty years ago in Murdock VS. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 319 U.S. 105 63 S. Ct. 870 (1943). The Murdock principle is no less vital today. Picelow VS. Virginia, ___ U.S. ___, 95 S. Ct. 2222 (1975). In upholding the Jehovah's

Witnesses' right to proselytize and sell their religious literature in public places, the court in Murdock wrote:

The hand distribution of religious tracts is an age-old form of missionary evangelism as old as the history of printing presses. It has been a potent force in various religious movements down through the years. This form of evangelism is utilized today on a large scale by various religious sects whose colporteurs carry the gospel to thousands of homes and seek through personal visitations to win adherents to their faith. It is more than preaching; it is more than distribution of religious literature. It is a combination of both. Its purpose is as evangelical as the revival meeting. This form of religious activity occupies the same claim to protection as the more orthodox and conventional exercises of religion. It also has the same claim as the other to guarantees of freedom of speech and freedom of the press." 319 U.S. at 108-109.

The Supreme Court emphasizes that the First Amendment protection is in no way diluted by the "commercial" aspects of the solicitation:

"The mere fact that the religious literature is 'sold' by itinerant preachers rather than 'donated' does not transform evangelism into a commercial enterprise. If it did, then the passing of the collection plate in church would make the church service a commercial project... It should be remembered that the pamphlets of Thomas Paine were not distributed free of charge. It is plain that religious organizations need funds to remain a going concern. But an itinerant evangelist, however misguided or intolerant he may be, does not become a mere book agent by selling the Bible or religious tracts to help defray his expense or to sustain him. Freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of religion are available to all, not merely to those who can pay their

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own way." 319 U.S. at 111.

See ISKCON VS. Hayes, ___ F. Supp. ___ (N.D. Ga. 1976-attached); Muhammad Temple of Islam VS. Shreveport, 587 F. Supp. 1129 (W.D. La. 1974); see also Picelow VS. Virginia, supra; Pittsburgh Press Co. VS. Pittsburgh Commission, 415 U.S. 376 (1973); Camarano VS. United States, 358 U.S. 489 (1958), Douglas J. concurring; Terry VS. California State Board of Pharmacy, 395 F. Supp. 95 (N.D. Calif. 1975); Anderson Clayton & Co VS Washington State Department of Agriculture, 402 F. Supp. 1255 (W.D. Wash. 1975)

LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES NO. 95789(2) (h) and SECTION 42.14.1 ARE DEFECTIVE BECAUSE THEY REST DISCRETION IN OFFICIALS TO GRANT OR DENY LICENSES FOR THE EXERCISE OF FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS WITHOUT PROVIDING NARROW AND OBJECTIVE STANDARDS TO GUIDE SUCH DISCRETION.

It is fundamental that rules restricting the exercise of First Amendment activities to prior approval are inherently suspect and bear a heavy presumption against their constitutional validity. Banton Books VS. Sullivan, 372 U.S. 58, 83 S. Ct. 633, 9 L. Ed. 2d 584 (1963); Shuttlesworth VS Birmingham, 394 U.S. 147, 89 S. Ct. 935 (1969); Kunz VS New York 340 U.S. 290 91 S. Ct. 312 (1951); Cox VS. New Hampshire, 312 U.S. 569, 61 S. Ct. 762 (1941). Moreover, any restrictions can be justified only by establishing a compelling governmental interest which cannot be achieved by any other alternate or less restrictive means. (See Police Department VS Mosley, supra) San Antonio School District VS. Rodriguez, 411 U.S. 1 (1973); Grayned VS. City of Rockford, 408 U.S. 104 (1972); Tinker VS. Des Moines Independent Community School District, 393 U.S. 503 (1969) Cousins VS. Wigoda, ___ U.S. ___, 95 S. Ct. 511 (1975); Kusner VS. Pontikes,

414 U.S. 51 (1973); Philadelphia News VS. Borough, 181 F. Supp. 228, 2 (E.D. Penn. 1974); and, the emphasis must be on maximizing the availability of First Amendment forums and the availability of alternative sites is irrelevant. Schneider VS. State, 308 U.S. 146, 70 S. Ct. 146, 84 L. Ed. 155; Shenck VS. Washington, 418 U.S. 405, 94 S. Ct. 2724 (1974); Fell VS. Pro-Union, 417 U.S. 817, 94 S. Ct. 2800 (1974).

It is further fundamental that the right to carry out First Amendment conduct cannot constitutionally be left to the unbridled discretion of governmental licensors. An unbroken chain of United States and California Supreme Court decisions, including, inter alia, Cantwell VS. Connecticut, 310 U.S. 296, 60 S. Ct. 900 (1940); Southeastern Promotions VS. Conrad, ___ U.S. ___, 94 S. Ct. 1239 (1975); Dolaney VS. Municipal Court, supra; Dillon VS. Municipal Court, 4 Cal. 3d 860, 94 Cal. Rptr. 777 (1977); Burton VS. Municipal Court, 68 S. Cal. 2d 684 68 Cal. Rptr. 721 (1968); and Perrine VS. Municipal Court, 5 Cal. 3d 756, 97 Cal. Rptr. 320 (1971); have all struck down standardless licensing laws.

A law that operates as a prior restraint on the exercise of First Amendment freedoms must be strictly limited to regulation of time, place and manner and must have "narrow, objective and definite standards to guide the licensing authority." Shuttlesworth VS. Birmingham, supra. The standards set forth must be "susceptible of objective measurement" (Kovishian VS. Board of Regents, 385 U.S. 589, 603-604, 87 S. Ct. 675 (1967) and "precision of regulation must be the touchstone." NAACP VS. Button 371 U.S. 415, 438 83 S. Ct. 328 (1962); Interstate Circuit VS. Dallas 390 U.S. 676, 88 S. Ct. 1298 (1968).

The most recent Supreme Court expression of this principle is South-eastern Promotions VS. Conrad, supra, where the Court, 95 S. Ct. at 1244 pointed out that:

"Invariably, the Court has felt obliged to condemn systems in which the exercise of such authority was not bounded by precise and clear standards. The reasoning has been, simply, that the danger of censorship and of abridgment of our precious First Amendment freedoms is too great where officials have unbridled discretion over a forum's use. Our distaste for censorship—reflecting the natural distaste of a free people—is deep written in our law."

Examination of the ordinances involved in the instant case in the light of the foregoing principles undeniably reveals that it does not provide precise standards capable of objective measurement—the sensitive tools to be employed whenever First Amendment rights are involved. This is because the ordinance simply contains no standards whatsoever to guide the licensor's discretion.

Since statutes which accord officials excessive discretion are unconstitutional on their face, a fortiori, an ordinance is unconstitutional if no standards whatsoever are set forth to circumscribe the discretion of officials in granting or denying licenses." Burton VS. Municipal Court, supra, 68 Cal. Rptr. at 725; Nunz VS. New York, 340 U.S. 290, 75 S. Ct. 312 (1951); Lovell VS. Griffin, 303 U.S. 444, 58 S. Ct. 666 (1938)

Therefore, the law at issue must be condemned because "a law subjecting the exercise of First Amendment freedoms to the prior restraint of a license, without narrow, objective and definite standards to guide the licensing authority, is unconstitutional." Shuttlesworth VS. Birmingham, supra; Southeastern Promotions VS. Conrad, supra. (End of reference to ISKCON VS. Davis)

See also the enclosed ISKCON, Inc and Thomas B. Hopke VS. Lawrence Netel No. Civ. 75-450 Phx. wpc in which the identical determination is established.

It is clear that the airport, being publicly owned, is a protected

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First Amendment forum. Kusynski VS. City of Oakland, 479 F. 2d 1130 (9th Cir. 1973) (Oakland International Airport). Plaintiffs' conduct is within and protected by the First Amendment. Murdock VS. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 319 U.S. 105, 63 S. Ct. 870 (1943), and the Fourteenth Amendment conduct is not absolute, a statute or ordinance which creates as a prior restraint on the exercise of First Amendment freedoms must have narrow, objective and definite standards to guide the licensing authority. Cantwell VS. Connecticut, 310 U.S. 296, 60 S. Ct. 935 (1940).

The ordinance in question as applied to prohibit religious proselytizing without a permit is unconstitutional because it prescribes no standards to limit the unbridled discretion of the licensing authority."

We are not, therefore, required to obtain beforehand either a solicitation permit or a peddler or hawkers permit.

2. Murdock instructs on a similar point that "The power to tax the exercise of a privilege is the power to control or suppress its enjoyment. A state may not impose a charge for the enjoyment of a right granted by the Federal Constitution." Since Murdock indicates that religious solicitation is an activity within and protected by the First Amendment and the Fourteenth Amendment, any bond or fee or license tax or percentage of collection is not required.

The right to engage in First Amendment activities "...is not absolute in that conduct remains subject to regulation for the protection of society the power to regulate must be exercised so as not, in obtaining a permissible and, unduly to 'infringe the protected freedom.'" (Cantwell, n. 900). The Court goes on to say,

"A state may, by general and nondiscriminatory legislation, regulate the times, the places, and the manner of soliciting upon its streets and of holding meetings thereon and may in other respects safeguard the peace, good order, and comfort of the community without invading liberties protected by the Fourteenth Amendment." U.S. Const. Amend. 14.

The conclusion of the Court was that "...In the absence of a statute narrowly drawn to define and punish specific conduct as constituting a clear and present danger to a substantial interest of the State, the petitioner's communication, considered in the light of constitutional guarantees, raised no such clear and present menace to public peace and order as to render him liable to conviction of the common law offense." p.906. This final criterion must be the determining factor legitimate restraint.

Arbitrary or overly-broad regulations, then, cannot be applied in the case of First Amendment activities; and of those narrowly-drawn restrictions, it must "no greater than essential to the furtherance of that [legitimate government] interest." *U.S. v. O'Brien* 391 U.S. 376-77 (1968).

To verify the application of this point, our Society was required in the course of time to bring suit against some major cities regarding overly excessive limitations on the part of civil authorities. In one such case, *ISKCON v. Conlich*, 374 F. Supp. 1010 (W.D. Ill. 1973), p. 14, the Court said that the city has "a heavy burden to prove the necessity" for regulations significantly restricting the exercise of religious rights. Continuing along this line, the Court found tag day ordinances "unconstitutional, i.e. restricting religious solicitation to a certain number of days per month or year. Therefore, constitutionally, First Amendment rights apply year-round and round-the-clock; as much as the general public has access to public places for personal use; no further restraint beyond the general public's restraints apply under a valid and substantial State interest is in clear and present danger.

Tag days, limitation to number of days of solicitation, and similar regulations are unconstitutional.

4. Our Society does recognize and closely follow the regulations as established in an exemplary manner by the courts. Certain standards are universally acceptable, as per *Conwell*, p. 900.

"A state may protect its citizens from fraudulent solicitation by requiring a stranger in the community, before permitting him publicly to solicit funds for any purpose, to establish his identity and his authority to act for the cause which he purports to represent and may regulate the time and manner of solicitation generally in interest of public safety, peace, comfort or convenience but may not condition the solicitation of aid for the perpetuation of religious views or systems upon a license or a determination by state authorities as to what is a religious cause." U.S. Const. Amends. 1, 14.

These valid regulations have been upheld by our Society across the country, and they similarly have been the outcome of Settlement Agreements in litigation; initiated by our Society. Each member of our Society will carry an identification card demonstrating that he or she is an authorized agent to solicit on behalf of our organization, and we will identify and register our Society with your City herein by exhibiting the enclosed pamphlet entitled, *ISKCON is Authorized* and our Internal Revenue Service tax exemption forms.

By precedent of Court and by precedent of other city letters enclosed, these are the standard acceptable regulations we always agree to follow. If you know by Court precedent of other valid and standard regulations regarding the exercise of First Amendment activity, please notify me. I will be very much obliged.

5. It should be understood that any publicly operated place is equally within the same category of religious freedom as another. "Nor does the fact that a person might impart his ideas effectively in another place provide any reason for denying a person's right to manifest his views in a spot of his own choosing." *Molton v. Port of N.Y. Authority*, 392 F. 2d 83 (1968). "Similarly, the availability of some alternative forum, and the likelihood of a swarm of protesters each with their special cry disrupting the normal operation of the Terminal" does not

justify wholesale ban of First Amendment exercise in a particular locale.

See also *ISKCON v. New Orleans*, 347 F. Supp. 915 (1972) in which it states "Ordinance prohibiting the constitutional inhibition of legislation of subject of religious forestalls compulsion by law of the acceptance of any creed or the practice of any form of worship, and safeguards the free exercise of the chosen form of religion." U.S.C.A. Const. Amend. 1.

The enclosed letter from the St. Louis City Council conforms the application of this point to our Sankirtan activities where Mr. Kunderer says "Neither may such religious activity be barred in public areas, in any geographical areas by ordinance..." Therefore, we should be able to engage in First Amendment activities such as religious solicitation in the public locations of our choosing.

6. Although *Molton* clearly says, p.90, "the fact that the passing out of leaflets might lead to littering of the Terminal building is unfortunate but certainly not sufficient justification for circumscribing a person's Constitutional rights." I think you will find that there is little or no litter as a result of our activities. Even the smallest of our literature is a substantial full-color journal, large enough from our experience to warrant even a complete stranger to hang on to it. However if there is some litter, our members will gladly tidy up their area at the day's end.

We never use handbills, nor do we place literature on the windshield of parked cars.

7. The final point we would like to establish is that part of our society's religious duties require us to distribute flowers and foodstuffs duly sanctified. In the case of religious articles, the civil constitution has defined the range of items to include "...religious literature, sanctified foodstuffs and flowers..." all of which are to be distributed to the public for the solicitation and acceptance of donations. *ISKCON v. O'Neill et al.*

Numerous references can be made in our authorized Scriptures to establish the Divine order for the distribution of these religious items. Therefore it is a religious command for us to distribute these items. For further reference, if desired, please consult 100 ALR 579.

It should be openly expressed that our interest in presenting our literature and engaging in Sankirtan activities in your municipality and all public places around the world is not a selfish one. Our conviction is to awaken the spiritual and moral values within all living entities.

Many notable and learned men are now praising our Society's activities. Chief Justice William Burger, in a commencement address recently at the University of Pennsylvania, praised the spiritual educational work our Society (ISKCON) is engaging in. He stressed that ISKCON sets an example of the needed direction for our affluent but turbulent society today.

Everyone of our members very strictly follows certain standards of moral character, such as abstaining from any intoxication (including coffee, tea, and cigarette), any form of gambling, any illicit sex life, and avoids unnecessary violence to other beings. All members are very peaceful, but are very enthusiastic to glorify God. This is our true motive; we receive no pay for our preaching activities.

What to speak of the Constitutional protections offered for religious expression, any civilized gentlemen would have to regard these intentions and qualities as highly laudable and exemplary for all humanity. Yet by various applications of the law, ISKCON too often finds itself unable to express these high ideals. It is for this reason that I have drafted the above summaries of Court decision relating to the most frequent impediments interrupting our Sankirtan activities. Please examine the following common points and reply to them affirmatively or negatively, one by one. I will be calling you within a week to get your reply to each of these points. In the end however I would appreciate

something in writing on the city's letterhead from some appropriate official so that, when our members are practicing Sankirtan, they will be able to present this official document and dispell all uncertainty as to their authorization.

Thank you very much for your attention in this matter.

Yours truly,

Warren C. Huena
Warren C. Huena
Public Relations Director
ISKCON, Mid-west Zone

**PRELIMINARY
PERMIT**

LAW DEPARTMENT

JACK L. KOEHR
CITY COUNSELOR

314 CITY HALL
SAINT LOUIS, MISSOURI 63103

JOHN H. POELKER
MAYOR

August 11, 1976

Mr. Edward F. Trippi, Chairman
Charity Solicitations Commission
9th Floor Mercantile, Civil Courts Building
St. Louis, Missouri 63101

Re: Applicability of Commission ordinance to religious activities of International Society for Krishna Consciousness

Dear Mr. Trippi:

That part of the Charity Solicitation ordinance which purports to authorize the Commission to determine whether an appeal is a bona fide charity appeal is inapplicable to the activities of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, when activities, including sale of religious publications and paraphernalia, are religious activities, the regulation of which is prohibited under court decisions interpreting the First Amendment. Similarly, such activities cannot be premised on the issuance and possession of a peddlers or peddlers license. Neither may such religious activity be barred in public areas in any geographical area by ordinance nor may such solicitation be arbitrarily restricted to certain tag days.

Mr. Warren C. Huena, a representative of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, has advised he will provide reasonable information to the Commission concerning authority to act for and represent the International Society for Krishna Consciousness.

Very truly yours,

APPROVED:

Charles W. Kunderer
Associate City Counselor

Jack L. Koehr, City Counselor

cc: Warren C. Huena
Col. Eugene Crip

G/K: paw



WILLIAM J. SCOTT
ATTORNEY GENERAL
STATE OF ILLINOIS
SPRINGFIELD
JULY 27, 1976
August 23, 1973

International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Inc.
1014 Emerson Avenue
Arlington, Illinois 60201

Re: Registration of INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS, INC. under "An Act to Regulate Solicitation and Collection of Funds for Charitable Purposes"

Gentlemen:

My office has received the supplementary questionnaire submitted for the above captioned organization. It would appear from an examination of the registration statements and supplementary questionnaire that said organization is a religious organization which meets the qualifications of Section 3(a) of "An Act to Regulate Solicitation and Collection of Funds for Charitable Purposes", and therefore, except from any further obligations under said Act.

I must call your attention to Section 12 of the Act which states, in part, that it shall be unlawful for any charitable organization to represent directly or indirectly, for the purpose of solicitation and collection of funds for charitable purposes, in any form or manner whatsoever by advertising or otherwise, that it has registered or otherwise complied with the provisions of this Act.

Yours very truly,

WILLIAM J. SCOTT

ATTORNEY GENERAL

James L. Kopp

Assistant Attorney General

Charitable Trust Division

JLK:det
cc: Chicago

City of Detroit
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

January 14, 1972

Mr. Ramesh Gopal das
8311 E. Jefferson
Detroit 14

Dear Mr. Gopal:

Kindly be advised that I received your application of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness for a charitable solicitation permit.

I presented your application and letter to the Acting Secretary of the Charitable Solicitations Authority Committee, Mr. James Jackson, Jr., Deputy City Clerk.

Mr. Jackson directed me to inform you that organized religions are not within the purview of the city ordinance regarding charitable solicitations and therefore no permit is needed.

Very truly yours,

Harold Blaskey
Harold Blaskey
Municipal Code & Ordinance Clerk

P.S. If you intend to sell some article other than printed material you do have to obtain a vendors license.

city of bloomington
Box 100, Municipal Building, Bloomington, Indiana 47401

April 17, 1975

To Whom it May Concern:

This is to certify that representatives of International Society for Krishna Consciousness Centers Around the World have, as of this date, contacted my office inquiring what City licenses, if any, would be required in order to distribute religious tracts and solicit charitable contributions for their organization within the City of Bloomington. I have informed them that the Bloomington Municipal Code requires no license or registration for the above mentioned activities.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Quinn
Lawrence J. Quinn
City Attorney
P.O. Box 100
Municipal Building
Bloomington, Indiana

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION
200 WEST VENTURA STREET
SUITE 1100
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
TELEPHONE 570-1181
November 1, 1973

Mr. Frederick J. Hawk, Secretary
The International Society for
Krishna Consciousness
3764 Watsela Avenue
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Hawk:

At its meeting on October 30, 1973, the Business License Commission reviewed your application for an Information Card. If you will recall, the Commission recommended that you first obtain an Information Card from the City of Los Angeles. In your conversation with me on September 25, 1973, you indicated that the City of Los Angeles would not issue an Information Card to your organization because you were exempt under their Ordinance.

The Business License Commission has ruled that you are a religious organization, and as such, are exempt from the provisions of our Los Angeles County Charitable Solicitation Ordinance.

We trust that this letter will be of some benefit to your organization.

Sincerely yours,

N. J. Juback
Nicholas R. Juback

OFFICE OF
THE TIMES
NEWSPAPERS
TOWSON, MD. 21204
Sept. 29, 1976

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the annexed advertisement of Petition for a Special Hearing-- 15K was inserted in the following:

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- ☐ Dundalk Times
- ☐ Essex Times
- ☐ Suburban Times East
- ☐ Towson Times
- ☐ Arbutus Times
- ☐ Community Times
- ☐ Suburban Times West

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BY *John Mink*

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PROPERTY SURVEY FOR INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS BALTIMORE CHAPTER

BEAVIN COMPANY
2305 North Charles Street
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21218

Scale: 1"=50' July 28, 1976

TITLE REFERENCE
CHARLES A. & LOUISE SKIVEN
TO
INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR
KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS
BALTIMORE CHAPTER
LIBER 5415, FOLIO 218
MAY 7, 1975

PROPERTY SURVEY FOR INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS BALTIMORE CHAPTER

191 ELECT DIST BALTO CO, MD.

July 28, 1976

1-SIGN 77-73-SPH

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING
BALTIMORE DEPARTMENT OF BALTIMORE COUNTY
Towson, Maryland

District: 1st Date of Posting: OCT 2, 1976
Posted for: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING
Petitioner: ISKCON
Location of property: W.S. of BLOOMSBURY AVE. 1694' S. of FREDERICK RD
Location of sign: FRONT 200 BLOOMSBURY AVE.
Remarks: *Thomas E. Rabalais*
Posted by: *Thomas E. Rabalais* Date of return: OCT. 8, 1976

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

TOWSON, MD. September 30, 1976
THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the annexed advertisement was published in THE JEFFERSONIAN, a weekly newspaper printed and published in Towson, Baltimore County, Md., on or about at one time, commencing on or before the 13th day of October, 1976, the first publication appearing on the 30th day of September, 1976.

THE JEFFERSONIAN
A. L. L. L. L.
Manager

Cost of Advertisement, \$.....

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
OFFICE OF FINANCE - REVENUE DIVISION
MISCELLANEOUS CASH RECEIPT
No. 40416
DATE: Sept. 27, 1976 ACCOUNT: 01-662
AMOUNT: \$25.00
RECEIVED FROM: International Society for Krishna Consciousness
FOR: Petition for Special Hearing 77-73-SPH
25.00 REC
VALIDATION OR SIGNATURE OF CLERK

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
OFFICE OF FINANCE - REVENUE DIVISION
MISCELLANEOUS CASH RECEIPT
No. 40498
DATE: Dec. 3, 1976 ACCOUNT: 01-662
AMOUNT: \$61.50
RECEIVED FROM: ISKCON, 200 Bloomsbury Ave., Baltimore, Md.
FOR: Advertising and posting of property 77-73-SPH
61.50 REC
VALIDATION OR SIGNATURE OF CLERK

BALTIMORE COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING

County Office Building
111 W. Chesapeake Avenue
Towson, Maryland 21204

Your Petition has been received * this 13 day of August 1976. Filing Fee \$ 25.00. Received ☒ Check ☐ Cash ☐ Other

H. D. Quinn
H. D. Quinn
Zoning Commissioner

Petitioner: ISKCON Submitted by: *Ray*
Petitioner's Attorney: *Ray* Reviewed by: *Ray*

* This is not to be interpreted as acceptance of the Petition for assignment of a hearing date.